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Response Due Date

12/18/2015

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REFERENCE: OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT (07/01/2015 - 09/30/2015)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 5 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your report discloses one or more in-kind contributions made before the primary election that are designated for the general election and appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act (see attached).

In-kind contributions of equipment, such as computers, with a long-term useful life (e.g., an election cycle, or perhaps longer) are similar to contributions of money and may be designated for elections beyond the next election, provided the contributor designates the contribution as such in writing. A contribution of this type of equipment is distinguishable from in-kind contributions that are used only for one particular election, such as non-exempt contributions of food or beverages consumed by primary election day workers, or printing or mailing costs related to general election events or fundraisers.

The in-kind contribution on your report does not have a "long-term useful life" and constitutes an excessive contribution for the primary election (see Advisory Opinion 1996-29). You must refund the excessive amount to the donor.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If you have not already done so, please inform the Commission of your